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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE  
SPEED AND/OR DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT OF A  
SCREW DISCHARGER**

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

As suggested by 37 C.F.R. 1.97, the undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449, copies of all non-U.S. references are enclosed. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists, or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

Copies of the International Search Report and a Finnish Patent Office Search Report rendered in the Finnish priority application are also enclosed.

Abstracts or English equivalents of three of the four Finnish documents mentioned in the specification of the instant application are also enclosed. No English abstract is available for FI 109589 which corresponds to FI 990333; however, the Finnish associate for the applicant advises that the document describes a traveling screw discharger and the object of the invention is a new sort of suspension of the screw discharge on its rails.

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The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

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